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Message from An Cathaoirleach

Welcome to another edition of the dlr Times at a time of year when, after the quieter summer months, life is returning to a busier routine for many of us with work, school, community groups, clubs and associations around the County. I am delighted to say that we have launched our dlr Grants Scheme for 2020, with the aim of providing assistance to many of these groups to help them grow and develop. See the next page for details on how to apply. As usual there is a busy dlr events schedule this Autumn, including the dlr Festival of Inclusion, Samhain and other cultural events. You can find out more about these at **events.dlrcoco.ie**. As the Autumn season sets in and the leaves begin to turn many different colours, our parks are absolutely beautiful places to be and I would encourage you all to get out and about and enjoy all the natural beauty that this County has to offer.

CLLR. **SHAY
BRENNAN**



Message from the dlr Chief Executive

In dlr we are lucky to have vibrant communities, with people from all over the world, all walks of life and all ages.

This October we will be celebrating diversity of cultures, traditions and ages with our dlr Festival of Inclusion with innovative and engaging public events all around the County.

The theme for this year's festival is Celebrating Generations, and I encourage everyone, young and old, to come along to these events to celebrate diversity in our community.

The Council will also be supporting the efforts of local groups in our communities with grant funding as we have opened our annual dlr Grants Scheme.

More information on both of these really worthwhile initiatives can be found in this edition of the dlr Times.

PHILOMENA POOLE

CoCo Markets

PEOPLE'S PARK

Park Road, Dún Laoghaire

WHEN: Every Sunday

TIME: 11am – 4pm

MARLAY PARK

Rathfarnham, Dublin 16

WHEN: Every Weekend

TIME: Saturday 10am – 4pm | Sunday 11am – 4pm



EMERGENCY TELEPHONE NUMBERS

Out of Hours : 01 677 8844
[after 5pm + weekends]

Homeless Persons: 1800 724 724
[after hours services]

Irish Water: 1850 278 278
[24 hours]

Your dlr parks



MARLAY PARK

TIME: Sep 9am to 8pm | Oct 9am to 6pm | Nov – Jan 9am to 5pm
Feb – Mar 9am to 6pm | Apr 9am to 9pm | May – Aug 9am to 10pm

SHANGANAGH PARK

TIME: Open Access

PEOPLE'S PARK

TIME: Dec – Mar 8am to 4.30pm
Apr – May 8am to 7.30pm | Jun – Sep 8am to 8pm | Oct – Nov 8am to 7.30pm

KILLINEY HILL PARK

TIME: Open Access

CABINTEELY PARK

TIMES: Sep 8am to 8pm | Oct 8am to 7pm | Nov – Jan 8am to 5pm | Feb 8am to 6pm | Mar 8am to 7pm | Apr 8am to 8pm | May – Aug 8am to 10.30pm

BLACKROCK PARK

TIME: Sep 8am to 8pm | Oct 8am to 7pm | Nov – Jan 8am to 4.30pm
Feb – Mar 8am to 6pm | Apr 8am to 8pm | May – Aug 8am to 9pm

KILBOGGET PARK

TIME: Open Access

FERNHILL PARK AND GARDENS

TIME: 9am - 6pm

Recycling information



BALLYOGAN RECYCLING

Ballyogan Road

TELEPHONE: 01 291 3600

TIME: Mon – Fri 8.30am to 5.30pm
Sat 9.30am to 5.30pm | Sun/Bank Hols 10.30am to 5.30pm.

CLOSED: Christmas Eve – St. Stephen's Day, New Year's Day, Easter Sunday.

EDEN PARK RECYCLING

Summerhill Road, Glashule

TIME: Mon – Thur 8.30am to 4pm
Fri – Sat 8.30am to 3.30pm.

CLOSED: Sunday, Bank Holidays, Public Holidays.

SHANGANAGH RECYCLING CENTRE

Cemetery Car Park, Shankill

TIME: Mon – Thur 8.30am to 4pm
Fri – Sat 8.30am to 3.30pm.

CLOSED: Sunday, Bank Holidays, Public Holidays.



Your dlr libraries

dlr LEXICON

Haigh Terrace, Dún Laoghaire
TEL: 01 280 1147

TIME: Mon – Thur 9.30am – 8pm
Fri to Sat 9.30am – 5pm | Sun 12noon – 4pm

BLACKROCK

Blackrock Town Hall,
Main Street

TEL: 01 288 8117

TIME: Mon, Wed, Fri & Sat 10am – 1pm, 2pm – 5pm | Tue & Thur 1.15pm – 8pm

CABINTEELY*

Old Bray Road, Cabinteely
TEL: 01 285 5363

TIME: Mon, Wed, Fri* & Sat* 10am – 1pm, 2pm – 5pm | Tue & Thur 2pm – 8pm

DALKEY

Castle Street, Dalkey

TEL: 01 285 5317

TIME: Mon, Wed, Fri & Sat 10am – 1pm, 2pm – 5pm | Tue & Thur 1.15pm – 8pm

DEANSGRANGE

Clonkeen Drive, Deansgrange

TEL: 01 285 0860

TIME: Mon 10am – 5pm | Tue to Thur 10am – 8pm | Fri & Sat 10am – 5pm. *My Open Library* self-service 8am-10pm, 7 days a week, including bank holiday weekends.

DUNDRUM

Upper Churchtown Road,
Dundrum

TEL: 01 298 5000

TIMES: Mon, Fri & Sat 10am – 1pm, 2pm – 5pm | Tue to Thur 10am – 8pm

SHANKILL*

Library Road, Shankill

TEL: 01 282 3081

TIME: Mon, Wed, Fri* & Sat* 10am – 1pm, 2pm – 5pm | Tue & Thur 2pm – 8pm

STILLORGAN

St. Laurence's Park,
Stillorgan

TEL: 01 288 9655

TIME: Mon 10am – 5pm | Tue to Thur 10am – 8pm | Fri & Sat 10am – 1pm, 2pm – 5pm

* Libraries with an *asterisk* are open either Friday or Saturday – please contact for further details.
- On Bank Holiday weekends, all libraries are closed Saturday, Sunday & Monday while Deansgrange opens in *My Open Library* mode.

dlr Grants Scheme

funding your community initiatives!

Do you have an idea for a project or an initiative, big or small, that could benefit your local area in community development, sports, arts or business promotion? Your initiative could make a difference to the well-being and quality of life, even in a small way, of the people in your local neighbourhood!



Each year Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council opens a grant funding scheme, known as the *dlr Grants Scheme*, that provides funding to individuals, groups and organisations engaged in projects, events or initiatives at a neighbourhood or County level within our area. It has a particular emphasis on supporting locally driven and grass roots initiatives. The scheme aims to assist locally run projects that promote growth and development in sports of all types, the arts, our local heritage, environmental protection, cultural festivals, events, community-based initiatives and local business promotion. This scheme can assist the development of projects and initiatives to help them achieve their full potential.

The elected Councillors agree on a budget each year out of which the dlr Grants Scheme is managed by Council staff. Applications are all administered via a dedicated portal on the Council website, dlrcoco.ie. In order to ensure good governance and transparency there are a number of general guidelines that refer to applying for the grants and some additional guidelines around specific grant categories. This helps ensure that the Council is supporting the very best in the development of our communities.

The Scheme has been advertised since the beginning of September, opened online for applications in mid-September and will close for applications on Wednesday 16 October. The levels of grant funding varies per grant category.

Speaking at the opening of the dlr Grants Scheme for 2020, An Cathaoirleach for Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council, **Cllr. Shay Brennan** said: *"The dlr Grants Scheme is of real assistance to community groups and local people with innovative initiatives in a wide variety of fields and pursuits. Over the last number of years the budget for the scheme has grown year-on-year and, as a local Councillor, I have witnessed firsthand the benefit it brings to our communities. I would recommend anybody in the dlr area, who thinks that some aspect of their community could benefit, to consider applying for grant funding through the scheme."*

This is your chance to apply for funding that could kick-start a new local initiative that makes a real difference, or take an existing local initiative and lift it to the next level. Remember that the dlr Grants Scheme closes on Wednesday 16 October at 12 noon. For further information on the specific grant streams available, how to apply online and the relevant criteria please go to dlrcoco.ie/grants

Home Energy Improvements Seminar



Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council is running a free home energy improvements seminar on Sunday 13 October in the Lexlcon Studio, Dún Laoghaire as part of the Open House Dublin programme. It takes place from noon to 2pm with a full repeat from 2pm to 4pm.

Sustainable Energy Authority of Ireland will give advice on home energy improvements and the SEAI grants available for carrying them out. Codema, Dublin’s Energy Agency, will provide useful tips on energy-saving actions and how to carry out a mini-energy audit of your home with the Home Energy Saving Kit, available on a free loan from the library. Bring along your energy bill and find out how you could pay less.

Architect **Art McCormack** will share his experience of achieving a sustainable home with a high-performance in energy efficiency, comfort and indoor air quality.



Architect Stephen Tierney and Nicola Haines Passive House is one of the houses on view as part of the Open House Dublin programme

Climate Action Through Nearly Zero Energy Buildings Conference



Thursday 14 November – For Building Professionals And Self-Builders

A World Forum will be held in dlr on the topic of Nearly Zero Energy Buildings (NZEB). The NZEB standard becomes mandatory in Ireland on Friday 1 November and must be implemented EU-wide by the end of 2020. The central objective of the NZEB policy is to significantly reduce the energy demand and carbon emissions from buildings, whilst also harnessing renewable energy technologies: new-build and retrofit, residential and commercial.

Supported by dlr, the World NZEB Forum will feature a panel of international speakers and present inspiring case studies from Ireland, North America and across the EU. A core theme will be the delivery of the UN Sustainable Development Goals, with special emphasis on energy, buildings and sustainable cities. To book tickets visit worldnzebforum2019.com



Open House Tours and events

11, 12 + 13 October 2019

Event title:	Location, Route & Meeting point:	Opening Times
Fernhill Children’s Play Workshop	Fernhill House and Gardens, Park, Enniskerry Rd, Kilgobbin, Dublin	Sun, 11am-4pm
Water Tour Of Dún Laoghaire Harbour	Royal St. George Yacht Club, Marine Road, Dún Laoghaire	Sun, 1pm-4.30pm
Energy Talk – Saving energy in your home	Lexlcon Library, Dún Laoghaire	Sun, 12pm-4pm
Fernhill Mountain Walk	Fernhill Park and Gardens. Beside Fernhill House	Sun, 12pm-1pm
People’s Park Architrek	dlr Lexlcon, Haigh Terrace, Dún Laoghaire	Fri, Sat, Sun, 11am-5pm

Building name:	Address:	Opening Times
Castlebyrne	80 Castlebyrne Park	Sat, 11am – 3pm
Fernhill House and Gardens	Fernhill Park and Gardens, Enniskerry road, Kilgobbin, Co. Dublin	Sun, 11am – 5pm
Killiney Obelisk	Killiney Hill Cnoc Chill Iníon Léinín Scalpwilliam Dublin	Sun, 11am – 5pm
Rochestown House Phase 2+3	Rochestown House Sallynoggin Road Upper Rochestown Sallynoggin Co. Dublin	Sun, 11am – 5pm
New Council Chambers and Civic Hub	County Hall, Dún Laoghaire, Dublin, A96 T326	Sun, 11am – 5pm
Fitzgerald Park	Fitzgerald Park Páirc Mhic Gearailt Monkstown Dublin	Sun, 11am – 5pm
Commissioners of Irish Lights	Harbour Road, Dún Laoghaire, Co. Dublin	Sun, 11am – 5pm
dlr Lexlcon	Haigh Terrace, Moran Park, Dún Laoghaire, Co. Dublin	Sun, 11am – 5pm
Royal St. George Yacht Club	Carlisle Pier, Dún Laoghaire Harbour, Co Dublin A96 AY77	Sun, 11am – 5pm

dlr shortlisted for seven projects in the Local Government Awards

The 2019 Excellence in Local Government Awards, organised by Chambers Ireland, is held to recognise and celebrate the outstanding work being carried out by Local Authorities all over Ireland. We have been shortlisted for seven of our projects, with the winners announced in November.



Changing Places in Disability Services Provision

dlr County Council supports the provision of fully inclusive bathroom facilities and is committed to the installation of 'Changing Places' in new public buildings throughout the County where feasible.

In Cabinteely Park and now in Marlay Park Courtyard we have provided fully accessible toilets that include features such as: height-adjustable, adult-sized changing benches; ceiling track hoist systems; showers; adequate space for a person with a disability and up to two assistants; and centrally located toilet bowls with space on both sides for assistants. Bathrooms with this level of equipment to provide full accessibility meet the 'Changing Places' designation. This will be the new normal for dlr public buildings.



The Commemoration of the Centenary of the Sinking of the RMS Leinster in Commemorations and Centenaries

This initiative was the official Commemoration of the Centenary of the Sinking

of the mailboat RMS Leinster en route from Dún Laoghaire to Holyhead, on 10 October 1918. It was torpedoed by German submarine U-123, with the loss of 569 civilian and military passengers, postal workers and crew, many from the local Dún Laoghaire area.

The Centenary commemorations in October last year were developed collaboratively by the Council and its Library Service, the Department of Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht, the National Maritime Museum as well as long standing local commemorative groups such as the Mailboat Leinster Centenary Committee and Families & Friends of the RMS Leinster

An illuminating programme of events was run in the weeks around the commemorative day on 10 October 2018, with a wealth of exhibitions, seminars, talks, theatre and other performances in Dún Laoghaire, helping to bring public remembrance to this tragic event and highlight the personal stories of victims and survivors of the previously forgotten story of the RMS Leinster.

dlr Online Grants Management System in Local Authority Innovation

The Online Grants Management System – a system to replace the paper-based application process and to provide online application, assessment and reporting functionality while encouraging 'Transparency, Accountability and Governance' among our grants applicants. The project follows the Council's objectives of utilising technology to streamline and enhance its procedures.

Electric Dreams in Sustainable Environment

This initiative places dlr to the forefront of Electric Vehicle (EV) adoption, positioning us as exemplars of best practice in terms of fleet management, increasing the number of EVs in our Council fleet and developing EV charging infrastructure locally within our community. The initiative is in line with our Climate Change Action Plan to reduce carbon emission and energy usage and mitigate against the harmful effects of Climate Change. It will facilitate the uptake of EVs for the Council and also by members of the public, living, working and visiting our area.

My Open Library at Deansgrange Library in Best Library Service

My Open Library offers an improved and expanded library service through an extension of the library opening hours. It provides library access to members from 8am to 10pm, seven days per week, 365 days of the year. This is in addition to the regular staffed hours which continue as normal. The staffed hours combined with the extended My Open Library service enable library members to access the library at times that suit them. They have full use of computer, Wi-Fi and printing services, study facilities, and may borrow and return items using the self-service kiosks.

Otranto Seaside Gardens, Sandycove, County Dublin in Enhancing the Urban Environment



Located in a unique cultural setting, framed by Scotsman's Bay, Joyce Tower, and the popular Sandycove Beach, Otranto Seaside Garden, Sandycove is one of Dublin's smallest, but locally significant,

public spaces. The Garden is beside a well-used pedestrian-cycle route that is part of a 'Coastal' Corridor.

In terms of strategic land-use planning and placemaking, the latter is the first of six spatial corridors identified in dlr's countywide Green Infrastructure Strategy (County Development Plan 2016-22).

The 'Coastal' Corridor incorporates the existing Heritage and Tourism Trail, linking Sandycove and Dalkey to Dún Laoghaire Town.

Smart Sandyford in Promoting Economic Development

Smart Sandyford is a collaborative model comprised of dlr, Sandyford Business Improvement District CLG (Sandyford BID), business, employers, citizens, residents, Government agencies including Enterprise Ireland, and the IDA working together to achieve the benefits of being smart in terms of technological adoption and innovation and collaborative working, promoting economic development in the area.

Halloween Appeal



The Council would like to appeal to local residents and businesses alike for their assistance in ensuring this Halloween is safe and enjoyable for everybody. Every year Dublin Fire, Ambulance and Rescue Services answer hundreds of calls over the Halloween period. The majority of these calls relate to bonfires. This is an avoidable and unnecessary burden on emergency services.

The uncontrolled burning of waste is an illegal practice. Parks, open spaces and areas of amenity can become the focus of vandals at this time of year. Burnt earth takes approximately 18 months to fully recover, damaging play areas. The clean-up costs are substantial. Smoke from burning waste (especially tyres, paints and plastics) often contain hazardous chemicals which can cause harm if inhaled. Wastes such as aerosols, pressurised containers and flammable substances can explode and cause serious injury to bystanders and may damage nearby property. Furthermore, the ash from fires can remain toxic and could cause harm, particularly to young children.

The Council would like to appeal to local residents and businesses to be vigilant and report any stockpiling of waste. Please note that allowing unpermitted waste collectors to remove waste from your property is an offence and could incur a fine of up to €5,000. Any materials on your property that are likely to be taken and used for bonfires should be stored safely and securely, or disposed of correctly, prior to Halloween.

To report stockpiling please call 01 205 4700 or email info@dlrcoco.ie.

Fernhill Park & Gardens Phase 2



Michael Durkin (Murphy International Ltd) with An Cathaoirleach Cllr Shay Brennan and our Chief Executive Philomena Poole turning the sod on phase 2 of Fernhill Park and Gardens.

Project works to enhance access into Fernhill Park & Gardens have recently commenced. The location of the project is concentrated in two of the three rear fields and adjacent to Rosemont School. It will consist of a signalised junction, an entrance into Fernhill, a shared surface avenue, car parking in three locations, bicycle parking, retaining walls, paths, steps and bridges, a grass playing pitch with a 400m running path around the perimeter, drainage and services, seating and signage, lighting, extensive tree and groundcover planting.

The design is shaped by the aims and objectives established as part of the park masterplan and also guided by the principles of the Fernhill Park & Gardens Sustainable Development Strategy. The overarching approach to the park development is light touch. This implies working with the natural topography of the site, protecting and enhancing the existing site features, minimising impermeable surfaces, maximising the opportunities for planting, prioritising sustainable travel, particularly walking and cycling and the use of soft engineering solutions.

The sustainability solutions being adopted as part of this phase of the works include the use of recycled materials as well as locally sourced materials, the re-use of all existing earthworks material within the site, the minimisation of packaging for deliveries, the reduction of waste, the provision of a dedicated recycling facility, the use of lean construction techniques including hybrid plant and the use of ECO cabins on site.

The works will include the provision of service runs to future proof the site for subsequent stages of development including wind turbines, photovoltaic panels and other renewable energy elements. These investments will help to achieve a near zero energy status for Fernhill Park & Gardens. Further information on the Fernhill Park & Gardens Sustainable Development Strategy can be found on dlrcoco.ie

Other notable works currently under development at Fernhill is the sensitive renovation of the existing right of way running from the Burrow Road through Fernhill as far as the Barnacullia Road. This winter, there is extensive native woodland planting proposed throughout Fernhill which will help to achieve the targets and actions from the dlr Climate Change Action Plan 2019-2024.

Getting rid of an old car?



Is your car or van past its “sell by” date? Are you looking to dispose of it? dlr can remove and dispose of “end of life” vehicles, free of charge. If you want to arrange to get one removed, or to report an abandoned car in your area, get in touch with us at 01-205 4817 or email environ@dlrcoco.ie

Competition

Samhain Haunted Forest Walk



Would you like to win one of five family passes to our annual Samhain Halloween walk in Marlay Park on Sunday 27 October?

Our annual spookfest is back in all its gory glory with the sounds, shadows and creatures of the night that only appear in Marlay Park once a year on the haunted forest walk.

Each pass will comprise of four complimentary wristbands, which allow a family of four to enter our haunted forest at any of the separate attendance sessions!

To enter all you have to do is sign up to receive the dlr times by email. Log on to dlrcoco.ie/samhaincompetition and enter your details by Monday 21 October. Winners will be notified on Tuesday 22 October.

Save the date for the dlr festival of inclusion 2019

Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council's annual countywide Festival of Inclusion programme begins shortly, with this year's theme being **'Celebrating Generations'**.

Over 100 events will take place throughout the County between the 4 and 12 October 2019, and there is sure to be something for all citizens of the County to enjoy!

An Cathaoirleach Councillor Shay Brennan commented:

"The dlr Festival of Inclusion has become a flagship event in the dlr events calendar as it continues to develop and encourage communities to celebrate and showcase their superb work and activities carried out throughout the year. This year's Festival theme is "Celebrating Generations" with numerous events focusing upon this theme taking place throughout the County.

I would like to take the opportunity to thank all the participants, hosts, community groups, volunteers and dlr partners for all their hard work and commitment in developing the extensive 2019 Festival Programme, and I would encourage everyone to take the opportunity to attend as many of the fantastic events throughout the week as possible"

The dlr Festival of Inclusion is a celebration of our diverse communities and the people in them. Each year we recognise, celebrate and enjoy the work carried out by the many volunteer and professional groups who every day create positive outcomes, all the while enhancing the lives of families, friends and neighbours.

This year's festival begins with the Diversity Fashion Show, taking place on Friday 4 October at the Nutgrove Shopping Centre. The Diversity Fashion Show showcases diversity and style, with models from all walks of life.

Some of the many other festival highlights will include:

- The Core Credit Union – dlr Community 5K
- New Communities Partnership – Multicultural Variety Show
- Airfield Estate Farm and Garden – Granny Skills Kitchen
- Enable Ireland – Zumba for the Ages
- Men's Sheds – Open Days
- dlr LGBTQ+ Book Club – Movie Screening



- Southside Traveller Action Group – (Play) *Glimpses of High Society with Travellers*
- dlr Leisure Services – Multigenerational Fitness Classes
- Islamic Cultural Centre of Ireland – Bridging the Gap Workshop
- dlr Mill Theatre – Make a Book Workshop with Eva Kelly
- Music Generation dlr – Inclusion Disco
- HSE / An Garda Síochána – 'Health, Safety and Security of Older People' Workshops
- Southside Partnership, St John of God's and Spinal Injuries Ireland – 'Leave No One Behind' Seminar
- Living Well with Dementia – Back to Bridge
- dlr Primary Schools Drawing Competition
- New Communities Partnership – Lunchtime Talk
- Southside Traveller Action Group – Lunchtime Talk

- dlr Libraries – ASD Friendly Sensory Storytime: *The Gruffalo*
- Dalkey Castle and Heritage Centre – Living History Tour
- 'This is Nicholas' Film Screening / Q&A
- dlr Network for Older People – Intergenerational Speed Talking Session

In addition to the numerous events taking place throughout the County during the week, there will be the chance to visit the annual art and information exhibition at County Hall, which will display the tremendous work by dlr's network of volunteers and community organisations throughout the year within Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown.

The full dlr Festival of Inclusion Programme of Events will be available from mid-September via **dlrcoco.ie**, with hard copies also available via branch libraries.

For further information about the Festival of Inclusion please call 01 205 4893, or alternatively email: **community@dlrcoco.ie**

The Core Credit Union

dlr Community 5K is back!



Want to take part in a fun active event for all the family? If so register now for the *Core Credit Union dlr Community 5K*, taking place at 2pm on Saturday 5 October. Returning in full force for its eleventh year, over a thousand participants will be walking, jogging or rolling the 5km scenic route around Kilbogget Park.

Taking place as part of the County's *Festival of Inclusion*, this annual event prides itself on being fully inclusive, and suitable for all ages, abilities and fitness levels. With a DJ

on hand to add to the festive atmosphere, there's an event T-shirt for every participant at sign-in and a medal for children on crossing the finish line.

Starting at 1pm, all the family will be able to try a range of sports and other fun activities.

At just €5 for adults and free for children, it will give everyone the opportunity to get out, have fun and be active.

The Core Credit Union dlr Community 5K is organised by dlr Sports Partnership and a range of local agencies and clubs who are delighted to once again have our local Credit Union as title sponsor. Additional funding support is provided by Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council and the HSE. The Community Gardaí and Dublin Civil Defence also assist to ensure a safe and fun event.

Shane McArdle, Coordinator with dlr Sports Partnership, comments: *"We've expanded the event this year to include fun family activities at 1pm prior to the 5K start time at 2pm, so please come early and join in the fun. We will have a particular focus on attracting participants of all abilities this year and highlighting the fact that physical activity and sport is for all."*

Places are limited so it's important to book yours today. Register online at dlrsportspartnership.ie or return a completed registration form, which is available by emailing sportspartnership@dlrcoco.ie or calling 01 271 9502.

dlr staff profile



Eibhlin Curley

SENIOR EXECUTIVE OFFICER AT
dlr ARCHITECTS DEPARTMENT
AND dlr ENERGY COORDINATOR

What do you do?

I work in the Architects Department as Senior Executive Officer and dlr Energy Coordinator. The Architects Department provides the Council with professional advice and technical support on a broad range of built environment-related services including social housing, urban design, public realm, civic buildings, conservation and energy. I manage the executive functions and some events, such as the dlr programme for the architectural festival, Open House Dublin.

As dlr Energy Coordinator, I organise a cross-departmental Energy Team with Engineers, Senior Executive Officers and staff from all the significant energy users which include public lighting, amenities, fleet, office buildings, depots and libraries. The Energy Team's objective is to meet energy targets and to positively influence energy efficiency within the County. dlr has achieved a 32.4% energy performance improvement (based on 2018 data) since 2009. We are a finalist in the Public Sector Leadership Category of the 2019 Sustainable Energy Authority of Ireland's (SEAI) Energy Awards which encourage and reward excellence in energy management. The winner will be announced on 16 October.

What is your typical work day like?

My work is very varied, between managing teams, budgets and report writing. Some of the projects I am currently managing include the World nZEB Forum *'Climate Action through nearly Zero Energy Buildings'* taking place in Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown this November as the national nearly Zero Energy Building standard comes into force. I am also working with the Energy Team on getting recertification of the ISO 50001:2018 Energy Management System. This includes raising energy awareness, so we will have an Energy Seminar for the public on Sunday 13 October as part of Open House Dublin, in the Studio, LexIcon from 12pm to 2pm, and from 2pm to 4pm.

What is the most difficult part of your job?

Keeping all the projects juggling.

What is the most rewarding part of your job?

dlr Architects are an award-winning, innovative and creative team and by working with them and other Council departments, I am getting a better appreciation of the broad and complex range of public services that dlr provide. I find playing a small part in delivering a more sustainable future the most rewarding part of my job

Open House Dublin
openhousedublin.com

World nZEB Forum 2019
worldnzebforum2019.com

Housing Delivery Programme

Delivery of homes for people in need of housing is a priority for Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council and we continue to work hard to provide them through a suite of delivery options, provided for under Rebuilding Ireland.



Karen Devitt with her daughter Sienna, pictured outside Clay Farm.

dlr is taking advantage of all options to progress housing, including Part V of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended, and is working in close collaboration with Approved Housing Bodies (AHBs) to deliver high-quality, energy-efficient homes through this delivery mechanism. It is the Council's preferred option that compliance with the terms of Part V is delivered through the acquisition of housing on-site.

This approach saw the recent acquisition of two apartment blocks at Clay Farm, Leopardstown, by the Iveagh Trust working in partnership with the Council and Park Developments. The Iveagh Trust is Ireland's oldest provider of social housing with years of experience in delivering homes across Dublin. With over 1,000 units across Dublin City and a significant presence on the Northside, this was the Iveagh Trust's first venture into Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown. In July, the partnership resulted in the delivery of high-quality, A-rated homes, close to wonderful amenities and excellent public transport links, for 44 individuals and families.

Rory Guinness, Chairman of the Trust and great-great-grandson of its founder says: "We are thrilled to see people moving into such wonderful new homes in this fantastic location. For over a century the Iveagh Trust has used the same model of on-the-ground management and a focus on people to build successful communities, and we are looking forward to carrying on that tradition in Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown."

The Council's Director of Housing, **Catherine Keenan**, adds: "Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council is committed to meeting our housing delivery target of 1,563 social housing units by 2021, through implementation of Rebuilding Ireland: Action Plan for Housing and Homelessness. We were delighted to have the opportunity to work with the Iveagh Trust to provide much-needed homes for families and individuals in Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown. We will continue to utilise the provisions of Part V to increase the level of social housing provided as an integral part of new housing developments."



New Music Generation programmes for dlr this Autumn!

Music Generation dlr is delighted to announce a new partnership programme with the Beat Café in Dún Laoghaire, starting in October. *The Saturday Sound Sessions* will take place from 11am to 3pm and offer group tuition in guitar, drums and singing for 13-to-18 year olds.

Our A Cappella Choir, the **Wavy Quavers**, will resume in Stillorgan Library in September. The choir is open to 9-14 year olds and we look forward to welcoming new members!

In partnership with dlr Arts Office and dlr Libraries, Music Generation dlr is delighted to announce a new intergenerational Ukulele Orchestra in Dalkey Castle and Heritage Centre every Tuesday evening from 6.30pm-8pm, starting in October. Open to everyone from 9-99 years old! All programmes are free of charge but places are limited.

For more information and to book a place contact musicgen@dlrcoco.ie



Science Week 2019

Sunday 10 to Sunday 17 November

dlr Libraries have a range of events happening across our libraries for class visits from local schools and open sessions including Science Foundation Roadshows, Scribble Bot workshops and much, much more! The October to December What's On Guide will have full Science Week event listings.

EXHIBITIONS AT dlr LEXICON



Divine Illumination: Centenary Of The Oratory Of The Sacred Heart, Dún Laoghaire

Monday 7 October - 4 January 2020.



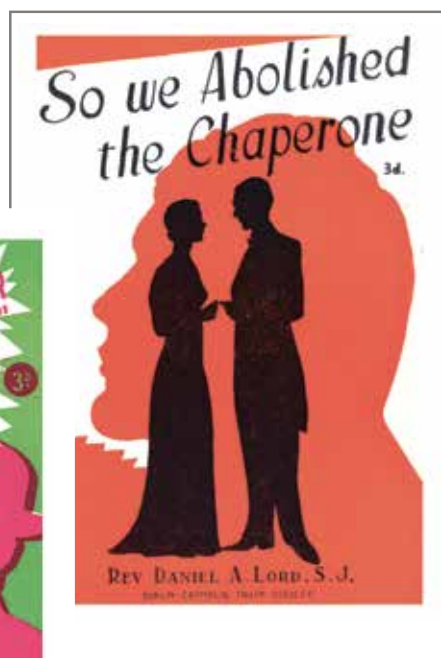
The Oratory of the Sacred Heart was built on the grounds of St Mary's Dominican Convent and in 1919 it was dedicated to the Sacred Heart. The building commemorates the many local Irishmen who fought and died in the Great War. From 1920-1936, it was

hand-painted by **Sister Concepta Lynch**, a Dominican nun at St Mary's and the result is a stunning example of the Celtic Revival style. The stained glass windows were created by Dublin's *Harry Clarke Studios* whose unique work can be found on both sides of the Atlantic. The exhibition ties in with the publication by New Island of the *Divine Illustration: Centenary Of The Oratory Of The Sacred Heart* book, the first full-length account of this remarkable story. A partnership between dlr Libraries and dlr Heritage Office, it is supported by the Department of Culture, Heritage and the Arts. See the special flier for full details of all associated oratory events in October and November.

Vintage Values

Wednesday 2 October to Tuesday 5 November

Vintage Values is a collection of pamphlet covers designed and printed in Ireland between the 1920s and 1960s by *Catholic Truth Society*, the Dublin-based organisation now known as *Veritas*. They were principally used at parish level to advise people on such issues as marriage, sin, dating and social graces. Some of the texts were imported from the USA, but all of the artwork was created here and includes work by **George Altendorf** and **Karl Uhlemann**.



TALKS

Making A Drama Out Of A Crisis: History And The Theatre



Colin Murphy

Studio Theatre, Level 1. Tuesday 15 October, 7pm. Free event, all welcome, booking essential on [eventbrite.ie](https://www.eventbrite.ie)

They say truth is stranger than fiction; real life is never as neat as it is in Hollywood or as splendidly dramatic as it is in the works of Shakespeare. So what happens when you try to turn real life into drama? If you stretch fact too far, does it turn into fiction - or just fake news? Ireland is obsessed with history, but why is there so little of it on stage? The three leading writers/directors discussing the potential and pitfalls of putting real life on the stage and page are **Louise Lowe** of multi-award-winning ANU Productions; **Emilie Pine**, the UCD Associate Professor who authored the An Post Irish Book of the Year, *Notes To Self*; and celebrated playwright **Colin Murphy** who includes *Haughey/Gregory*, *Inside The GPO* and *Guaranteed!* among his notable works.

An Evening Of Poetry In Memory Of Gerard Fanning (1952-2017)



Gerard Fanning

Studio Theatre, Level 1. Thursday 17 October, 6.45pm. Free event, all welcome, booking essential on [eventbrite.ie](https://www.eventbrite.ie)

To celebrate the life of Gerard Fanning who died in 2017, friend and fellow poet **Gerald Dawe** will give a talk entitled '*Gerard Fanning: Poet of the County*'. Joining him will be poet and novelist **Conor O'Callaghan**, actor **Cathy Belton** and piper **Mick O'Brien** who can be heard on many a Dubliners recording. Fanning lived in Blackrock, worked in the Irish Civil Service and was also a serious film buff. His books of poetry include *Easter Snow*, *Working For The Government*, *Water & Power*, *Hombre: New And Selected Poems* and the unpublished *Rookery*. He was awarded The Rooney Prize for Irish Literature in 1993.

Mary Costello In Conversation With Nadine O'Regan



Mary Costello

Studio Theatre, Level 1. Wednesday 23 October, 7pm. Tickets €12 and €10 from [eventbrite.ie](https://www.eventbrite.ie)

Mary Costello's eagerly-awaited second novel, *The River Capture*, tells of one man's descent into near madness, and the search for rescue. Luke O'Brien has left Dublin to live a quiet life on his family land on the bend of the River Sullane. Alone in his big house, he longs for a return to his family's heyday and turns to books for solace. This is a novel about love, loyalty and the raging forces of nature. More than anything, it is a book about the life of the mind and the redemptive powers of art. In the words of Sara Baume: "*It is as near perfect as it is possible for a novel to be.*"

Arts & Library Events

WHAT'S ON IN THE MUNICIPAL GALLERY IN dlr LEXICON

Theresa Nanigian: *clann*

Saturday 21 September – Sunday 17 November



Climbers, Theresa Nanigian

A spirited portrait of Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County, *clann* is a series of large-scale photographs of groups who live, work and play in the County. The work reflects the fact that Irish clans have long been composed of members far beyond blood relations, and demonstrates the cultural shifts in what the County has become and where it might be headed. Theresa Nanigian's exhibition will also include photographs taken by members of the Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown public in the popular selfie booth. *clann* is accompanied by a Learning Programme, which includes talks, guided tours and a range of workshops for all ages; as well as our regular Dementia Inclusive Gallery Tours, and the Open Arts Studios for kids and adults. Visit dlrcoco.ie/arts or call 01 236 2759 for more.

Musicians-In-Residence Concert Programme

Organised by dlr Arts Office, the Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council Musicians-In-Residence scheme is jointly funded by the Arts Council, and managed by Music Network.



CON KELLEHER

Éamonn Cagney

Studio Theatre, level 1. Sunday 10 November, 3pm. Free event; booking essential on eventbrite.ie

During his dlr Lexicon residency, Éamonn will compose and develop music and narrative inspired by the classic Irish folktale, *Young Conall Of Howth/Conall Óg Ó Bhinn*. Both a window into ancient Irish storytelling culture and a contemporary musical interpretation, the resulting concert finds Éamonn working with virtuoso guitarist **Niwel Tsumbu** and synthesiser exponent **Darragh O'Kelly** to explore world, African, Gaelic, jazz and storytelling influences.

Exit 15 Dance In Ballyogan



Exit 15 Creative Dance Leaders in Ballyogan.

Led by **Philippa Donnellan** and a team of professional artists, Exit 15 is a partnership between Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council, Voluntary Arts Ireland and Queen's University Belfast. It is jointly funded by the Arts Council's Invitation to Collaboration Scheme 2017 and Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council.

CoisCéim Broadreach continues to lead free arts activities for all ages this autumn in Ballyogan. Taking place in association with local community and school groups, there will be dance classes, film projects and workshops, plus social dance events for everybody to come along and enjoy. Among the highlights will be the various activities happening in October as part of the *Festival of Inclusion*, and December's line-up of performances and film screenings. Full details can be found at exit15.ie.



Children's Book Festival 2019

A nationwide initiative taking place every October, the CBF encourages the enjoyment of books and reading among children and families, authors and illustrators, teachers and librarians. dlr Libraries have been organising

CBF events for many years, inviting authors and illustrators for storytime sessions, drawing and illustration classes, crafts and creative writing workshops.

See the October to December *What's On Guide* for full Children's Book Festival event listings.



CBI Recommended Reads 2019-'20

Published annually by Children's Books Ireland, the guide will be available in all dlr Libraries from October. It includes

recommendations of the very best books published for children across all genres and age groups.

Féile na nÓg dlr Family Day

Saturday 5 October, 10.30am to 4.30pm

dlr Lexicon is hosting *Féile na nÓg dlr*, an intergenerational day for families with music and events in the Irish language. Join us for fun and games. Bígí linn i gcóir spraoi agus spóirt! Further information can be found nearer the time on the special *Féile na nÓg* flier.



What's On Event Guide



Keep an eye out for our next *What's On Guide*, which will be available before the end of September in each dlr Library and many other locations around the County. Highlights include Children's Book Festival events, Science Week workshops, Halloween craft events, exhibitions and – again – much, much more!

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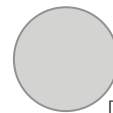


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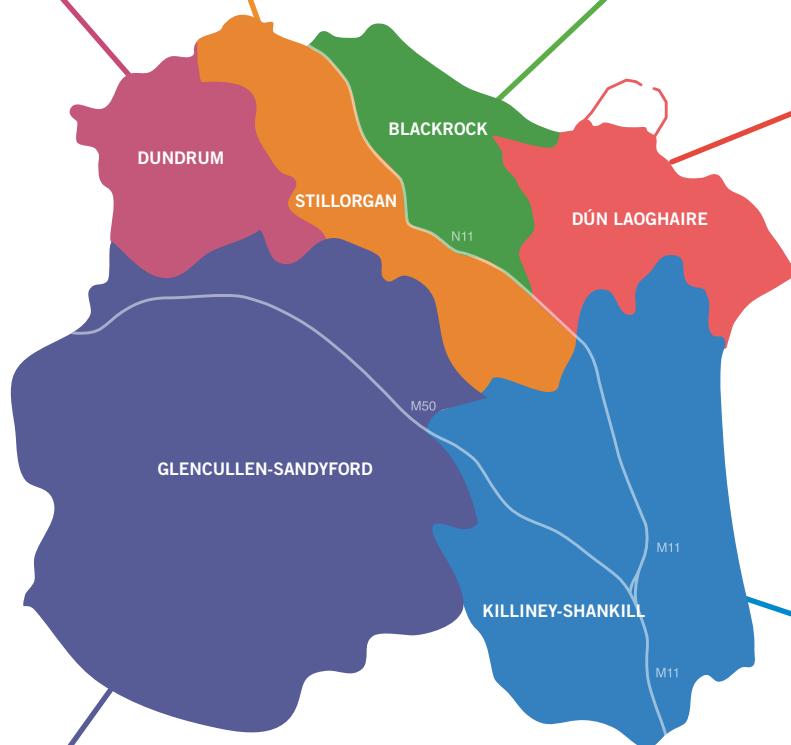
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